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# Riggs Bank Accuses High U.S. Officials; Asks An Injunction

Secretary of Treasury McAdoo and Comptroller Williams Charged with Malicious Persecution Aimed at Wrecking Washington Concern.

### SHOW CAUSE MUST

Defendants Say Their Actions Averted Disaster-Plaintiff Asserts No Suggestions for Reform Were Made, But That Government Officials Deliberately Set Out to Destroy Institution.

### By JOSEPH P. ANNIN.

Baldly charging Secretary of the Treasury William Gibbs McAdoo and Comptroller of the Currency John Skelton Williams with malicious persecution directed with a view to wrecking the Riggs National Bank, a bill in equity was filed by the bank yesterday through its attorneys, ex-Senator Joseph W. Bailey and Frank J. Hogan, petitioning the District Supreme Court for an injunction protecting the bank from the alleged persecution.

Replying to the charges in a brief public statement last night, Comptroller

"The recent investigations of the affairs of the Riggs National Bank disclosed irregularities and unlawful practices on the part of certain officers of chine, his skutt crushed and sufficient importance to merit their reference to the Department of Justice, and badly mangled. that department engaged the services of Louis D. Brandeis, of Boston, some a Washington aeroplane factory. It emweeks ago as special counsel in the case. It is consistent with the attitude of bodied many new features. It was the those officers to attempt by unwarranted and untrue statements to place themselves and the bank in a position of martyrdom at the hands of the admin-

Yesterday furnished a sensational denouement to a controversy between Secretary McAdoo and Comptroller Williams and the Riggs National Bank, which dates back to the earliest stages of the present administration. That in the air it was seen that something the controversy existed was well known, but that it should find such sensational publicity is a development as unexpected as the proverbial bolt from the blue.

Justice McCoy, in the District Supreme Court, issued a temporary restraining order and rule for a preliminary injunction returnable at 10 o'clock Friday morning. Immediately after the order was signed, Charles C. Glover, benefit of the Navy-Department officials. president of the Riggs National Bank, and Willis W. Parker, local agent of the that the experiments been successful, it Southwestern Surety Company, signed bond.

The order signed by Justice McCoy among other rules requires the defendants to show cause "why they shall not be enjoined pending this suit | York to St. Louis, turther retaining from the plaintiff the said \$5,000 interest money; the defendant-Williams particularly from revoking plaintiff's designation as a depositary for the reserves of other national banks, or from refusing to approve the Pacific Ocean. the plaintiff bank as such a depositary.

## BAD BLOOD BETWEEN WILLIAMS AND RIGGS OFFICIALS. was equipped with a twelve-cylinder en-

Ailes, vice president of the Biggs and William J Flather Bank, for years. At one time Baltis Disregarding Mr. Ailes' dealal of speed of eighty-live miles an hour. more financiers displaced Mr. Williams any responsibility for the objectionfrom the directorate of the Seabcard able article, according to the bill, BRITISH VESSEL SAVED Air Line Railroad and elected Mr. Secretary McAcco shouted at Mr. Ailes to his place. That Mr. Williams Ailes: "I will order you out of my had not forgotten this when he as- office!" and, turning to President sumed the duties of Assistant Secre- Glover, of the bank, "Mr. Glover, you Wayfarer, Biggest Boat Yet to Feel tary of the Treasura the financial know what this means to the Riggs

newspaper upon Mr. Williams in con- national banking circles, 1913 by the Munsey Trust Company. Protests against the construction of town.

clusion of a stormy interview between ing on the morning of April 22.

Comptroller Williams and Milton E or and Vice Presidents Milton E. Ailes armor-plate protection. Peoli claimed fixing its attention on the character and has lived for some time in the United be had.

National Bank."

The allegations contained in the Since that time, according to the bill, together with those contained in bill the Riggs National Early has been a letter from officers of the Riggs subjected to a continuous persecution Bank to Comptroller of the Currency at the lands of the Comptroller of Williams, are sensational in the ex- the Treasury, a persecution which has Wayfarer, a vessel of 2,500 tons, is the treme. In a word, the charge is that left the bank solvent at this time only latest target of Germany's submarines because of an attack by a New York because of its unassailable position in

Car Line Extension Protested.

officers of the Riggs Bank with being company yesterday were received by news had been received of the destrucresponsible for, these two officials de- the Public Utilities Commission from tion of the small steamer Guernsey liberately started out to do every S.S. Paish, of the Hibbs Building, and while it was trying to escape from a subthing in their power to undermine and Miss Clare De Graffenried, of 1935 marine in the English Channel,

STATEMENT OF THE OWNERSHIP, MANAGEMENT, CIRCULATION, ETC., OF

### were drowned. THE WASHINGTON HERALD

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## AH! SPRING HAS ARRIVED; ENTER FIRST STRAW LID

Well, it's here—and the weather man thinks for good:

It was seen yesterday for the first time, a mark of distinction to its owner, a hint of what is to be, before many days.

It stole unobtensively in and out among passers-by. Only an occasional eye was attracted by the sight.

If the owner sought to be hold,

If the owner sought to be bold, If the owner sought to be bold, he failed, for not a head was turned in passing and few glanced twice. If he sought comfort, he was slightly premature; but if he sought to make a standard, he should be successful.

The first straw hat is always a standard.

# FRIDAY BIPLANE DASHES

Young Aviator Killed at College Park in Machine of Own Invention.

### CRUSHED UNDER WRECK

Hoped to Sell Aeroplane to Navy Department After Trial

Navy Department in case it met certain specifications. The biplane had been to make a trial flight.

When the machine rose

Projectile of German "Sub." \* Run on Beach.

Special Cable on The Washington Herald By JOHN C. FOSTER. London, April 12.-The British liner been tornedged since the war began. The Wayfarer was torpedeed off the Scilly tion. Islands. She has been beached at Queens-

Comptroller Williams publicly charged line extension of the Capital Traction struction was made today shortly after

Seventeenth street northwest. A hear- The Guernsey, bringing a cargo from This determination, according to the allegation, was indicated at the considerable with respect to the proposed extension will be held at the District Buildthe U-31, .It crashed at full spect upon rocks almost in the shadow of a lighthouse that had been darkened because of the war. Seven members of the Gurnsey's crew, including Capt. Woods,

### WILL RAID ENGLAND IN JUNE. French Statement Says 550 Zep-

pelips Are Rendy. Paris, April 12.- Five hundred and

# OFFICIALS GRAVE; HUERTA REACHES "I'll Fool Foe," Says SEEK AUTHORSHIP N.Y.; ON PLEASURE OF GERMAN NOTE BENT, HEASSERTS "As Easy to Get Out Past British as to Slip in," German Officer, Commanding Kronprinz Wilhelm, Boasts.

Hope Foreign Office Did Not Former Dictator Says He Will Authorize Discourteous Wording.

Leave in Thirty Days.

### UP TO VON BERNSTORFF? REVOLT RUMORS ABROAD

Represented Spirit of His Said to Be Real Government. Mission.

GERARD ORDERED TO INQUIRE HE MAY COME TO WASHINGTON

Kaiser's Advisers in Dealings with United States.

The United States government is

given tests at College Park for the past the German Embassy, in the absence ten days, and Peoli vesterday attempted of the Ambassador, that the document

was wrong. The year of the biplane be- by the undiplomatic language of the

present a reply to the German govern- the old regime at Mexico City. Felix northward for Newport News, where have to go before a prize court. Their There has been bad blood between Secretary McAdoo and President Glov- gine of 150 horsepower, and contained an ment or to the ambassador, but was Diaz, nephew of Don Porficio Diaz, who that the muchine could make a publication of the Bern-torff memoran- States, is one of those with whom Huerta dum. The opinion of the most of the will have an early conference, department officials is that technicalities as to the arguments raised by the ambassador are beside the question, which AFTER TORPEDO BURSTS really is, they say, what authority of efense there is for the language of the memorandum. In view of the inconsistency between the position taken by dum and that taken by the German government itself in the reply made to the American demand for indemnity in the

> tion, officials drew attention to the simistrictures of the German government's not on the case of Odenwald at San Juan. That note contained three distinct insinuations of bad faith against the

United States government. The State Department is now preparguns," being fired on "even after her

## Continuing Purpose Feared.

machinery had been stopped."

The swift sequence of the strong language in the Odenwald note and the Bernstorff memorandum of Sunday have led some of the officials to believe that there was a continuing purpose in the declaration of the ambassador in charging bad faith and incapacity against the United States.

The Bernstorff memorandum and the Odenwald note, it is pointed out, are merely climaxes of a series of complaints ing to information just brought to from Germany. Their great significance

Serious Consequences May Be Aim of Traveling Companion Says General May Visit Capital During Stay in United States.

> Secretal to The Washington Horold New York, April 12 .- Gen. Victoriano Huerta, former President of Mexico, flag brought about the United States occupation of Vera Cruz, arrived in New York late this afternoon on the

and to make affidavit that he would

thorities, to whom he made his affidavit, government before he can proceed. that his stay in the United States would

the same ship which brought him over. prepare for a fresh invasion of Mexico, he said, "when the Kronprinz found manded by Capt. Jacobsen. She is owned He is known to have been in conference herself short of coal and provisions by the Western Steam Navigation Com-Mr. Bryan's position seemed to be that sage from Don Portirio Diaz, the for- pected to bring supplies failed to apthe government was not undertaking at mer President, as to plans for restoring pear. Pinally I determined to run the Fordney and Navajo and they will partially.

### "No Place for Me."

In ling with the belief that a fresh revolution is impending was the statemest made at the steamer pler today by Capt. Ruiz Nunez, one of Huerta's old officers, who met him.

"Now watch us all go back," he said. Reminded that Huerta had just pledged himself not to create any fresh trouble Nunez said: "To h-I with pledges." possibility of his return to the scenes of

his old activities, replied: "Mexico is no place for an old man such a terrible state that it would be unwise for me to go there at present." Through, his secretary, Huerta de-

nied that he had seen Don Porforio Diaz during his stay abroad. Asked if he expected to see Felix Diaz, he replied: "I always see every one who

ing a reply to the allegations that the former President. But at the steamer H. W. Kline, superintendent of admis-Odenwald was "attacked by American pier there was a small crowd of his sion, for details regarding admission and mission is to act as a decoy on the There he met in succession Gens. Qui- trict. personal friends, and Eugenio Pare- SMALL BURGLAR, SMALL LOOT. roz and Orizquieta and Senor Serrada. deas, former treasurer of the Mexican government under the Huerta adminstration. A secret serfice man named Barraica, representing the Cuban Min-ister at Washington, also met Huerta, with a pointed inquiry as to whether he intended to visit Havana. Huerta replied that he did not.

"It is a pleasure to be again in the

# Sea Wolf's Captain

Must Make Repairs and Be Off.

Newport News, Va., April 12.-The German raider Kronprinz Wilhelm will out to sea again just as soon as necessary repairs can be made, according to Commander Thierfelder.

"I must proceed with my refitting as quickly as possible," the German skipper said tonight. "It is imperative that I put to sea and resume my duties to my government. I can fool the British again as easily as when I came in.

Late today officials of the Newport News Shipbuilding and Drydock Com-Fear Ambassador Accurately Fresh Invasion of Mexico pany completed a survey of the sea wolf. Although their report has not yet been Infantry Action at the Crack made to Commander Thierfelder, it is understood that the vessel is badly in need of drydocking. She is said to be leaking heavily through plates strained and started by the jolt of guns on her deck. the ramming of her prey, and the con-

Germany.

sels Run Into Blockade-American

Embassy in London Notified.

By JOHN C. FOSTER.

The Navajo sailed from Galveston

**BRITONS DEAD INSIDE** 

Sisters, Met Death in Battle-

ships' Nets.

March 3. She is of 1.711 tons, and com-

cussion of other ships against her side BKIII APIIKE while transferring coal. Her boilers also need overhauling and her hull is covered with barnacles.
It was learned today that ten more of the crew of the Kronpring have been

stricken with beri-beri, which already had struck down more than 100. No offi cial request that the affected men be re- Forney's Cargo, New York to moved to a hospital has yet been made Sweden, Believed for It is believed that the ship's surgeon first will test the efficiency of fresh fruits and vegetables in combatting the scourge. A OWNERS APPEAL TO U. S.

### Survey In Granted.

Collector of Customs Norman R. Hamilton spent practically the entire day in Prize Crews Take Charge When Vesconsultation with Commander Thierfelder. The German skipper formally requested that he be allowed more time to have a survey made of his ship. This

In a note handed Collector Hamilton today Commander Thierfelder stated ammunition to Pascualo Orozco that he had set afoot all arrangements turned to Tampico, where he was an of the repairs necessary and of the fuel shipment of and other stores of which he stands in need. As soon as he obtains a report, he said, he will communicate with Ger- Kirkwall, Scotland. man government officials. The commander indicated that he would like to Mexican refugees on the situation in put his ship in drydock, but was advised that this request must be included in his estimate of repairs, an dthat he must

Commander Thierfelder today talked her cargo was consigned to a Swedfreely for the first time of his last ish port, English officials believe that wild dash toward safety, which landed its ultimate destination was Germany, onal business and will return to Spain him between the Virginia capes with The steamer is gwied by the Merida within the time specified, probably on a pack of the British bulldogs of the Steamship Company, and its port of ocean snarling at his heels.

"We were just below the equator,"

"So the long cruise began, with only to action by the American Embasey. one possible chance against our beone possible chance against our being forced into a neutral port. That U-29 RAISED; RESCUED chance was the arrival at a prearranged rendezvous of a collier, and toward that position on the chart I German Submarine Terror, with Three

### GOSPEL MISSION HAS "DOPE FIEND" CLINIC

### Haerta himself, when asked about the Department for Treatment of Drug Addicts Opened at 214 John Marshall Place.

Because of the suffering caused drug addicts by the anti-narcotic law which went into effect March 1, shutting off only the crew perishing, but also four A veiled hint that attempted further supplies of dope to "fiends," the dispensary staff of the Gospel Mission has by the submarine after their bout had tained in the statement from Berlin that opened a clinic where it is proposed to been sunk. give relief to sufferers and to cure them It is also reported that three smaller that the Cathedral of Notre Dame, the of the drug habit, if possible,

The clinic is located at the Gospel Mis- in the same way, but the admiralty is sion, 214 John Marshall place, and to still withholding announcement. open two hours daily, between 7 and 5 A new and ingenious method of dealing There was no member of the Mexi- o'clock in the morning. The dispensary with the submarines has been perfected, paratus have been installed in them. can colony at quarantine to meet the staff advises drug addicts to inquire of A new type of vessel has been built to sympathizers, who gave him a thin treatment. It is stated that this clinic submarine's approach. The vessel opens Chiesa, brother of Pope Benedict XV. cheer as he walked down the plank, is the first of its kind opened in the Dis- fire from concealed guns.

## Tiny Postoffice Robber Gets 25 Pennies and Few Envelopes.

Special to The Washington Herald.

Hyattsville, Md., April 12 .- The Seat Pleasant postoffice, located at the District of Columbia line at the terminus Huerta gave out the following state- of the Columbia Electric Railway in Prince George County, was robbed last night and twenty-five pennies and tunity to admire once more the greatness haif a dozen stamped envelopes, be-Paris.

The ministry of foreign affairs today gave out a statement from a

Spanish traveler, who has returned in the fact that the language in which of the State Department lies, principally, through their press. It is nothing strange that on stepping on United States determine, saying that everybody there is predicting the greatest air raid over England in June, in which Lie Areppelins and 400 aeroplanes, ail atted with aluminum motors, will take part.

BLACK HAND BOMBS STORE.

New York, April 12. Twonay-eight italian families were thrown into a paince early today when a dynamist of the distinction, they fear, may produce some grate consequences. It spreams that the Burnstorff memorandum came to the attention of Section 11th for two years, and that the product a section of the foliating some of the blackmaylers to print from him for two years, and that had been instrumental in sending some of the blackmaylers to print from him for two years, and that he had been instrumental in sending some of the blackmaylers to print the form should some the first the first the first there is ready at the size the print of the first the firs

# GERMANS LAUNCH COUNTERCHARGE TO SAVE 'WEDGE'

Les Eparges Sees Fierce Attacks Broken by French.

### START ARTILLERY DUEL

of Day Meets Defeat.

## NANCY UNDER BOMBARDMENT

Advanced Positions of Allies, Fourteen Miles from Metz, Target

April 8, but in the German wedge stretch-

ag south to St. Mibiel. According to the French This was sustained for a considerable period during the night, interspersed with brink musketry fire. At 4:39 a. m., just before dawn, a single infantry attack was started by the Germans, but the French weer on the alert for the

over from St. Miniel and in the re-

fought In the forest of Le Pretre, where from Meiz, the Germans attacked last night, but their assault broke down a section of trench which they held

today and steps have been taken looking tacks at these points, as well as at Comfact thi action, of which th French re ports make so much, has yet to be men tioned in the German official statements recording activities on this front. Ever in a lengthy summary of the fighting be tween the Meuse and the Moselle, covering the period ending April 10, issued to-London, April 12.-It is now understood day from Berlin, fails to mention this ac-

hat the famous German submarine U-29 tion. met her end while attempting to attack | concerning the bombardment of Nancy the British fleet, being caught in a net the German statement asserts that this used to protect the anchorages of the attack was only carried out after allies warships. According to one semi-official aviators had made an air attack on the report, all on board were dead when the open town of Mulheim, killing three vessel was brought to the surface, not women.

English fishermen, who had been rescued aviation activity may be expected is concaptured French officers have admitted German submarines have met their fate Paris Louvre and the Hospital Des Invalides are being used for military pur poses by the Paris garrison and that ma-

Pope Benedict's Brother Dies. Genoa, April 12.-Marquis Della

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